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 Title : ASPERGILLUS N-MYRISTOYL TRANSFERASE GENES AND
 POLYPEPTIDES AND USES THEREOF

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows.

In the specification:

At page 1, after the title of the invention, add the following paragraph.

--Cross-Reference to Related Application

This application is a divisional of U.S. application Serial No. 09/163,444, filed September 30, 1998, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.--

At page 2, replace the first full paragraph as follows:

--The invention features a nucleic acid molecule which is at least 65% (or 75%, 85%, 95%, or 98%) identical to the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:1, or SEQ ID NO:3, or the nucleotide sequence of the cDNA insert of the plasmid deposited with ATCC as Accession Number (the "cDNA of ATCC PTA-1663"), or a complement thereof.--

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